LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section fair until Friday noon; threatening weather and rain Friday evening or night; slight changes in temperature; winds shifting

PERSONAL.—Capt. F. Beattie is quite sick at his home in Fairfax county. Mrs. N. S. Greenaway is in the city, ned to the bedside of her sister,

W. I. King, who is dangerously fredericksburg Star. t. Thomas Murray, now of Rich-

Mr. John H. Moore, bookkeeper Jos. Broders, is seriously ill at his

ie in Fairfax county. mingly entertained a number of her friends at a card party given at the residence of her father, Maj R. W. Hunter, on Prince street. The prizes were won by Miss Mamie French and Mr. R. T. utler, and the consolation prize by Miss Lucy Lee.

Mr. Ernest Plaskett and Miss Maggie Trice, of Lorton, Fairfax county, were quietly married at the parsonage of Marvin M. E Church South, Washington, yesterday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Locke. Last night they were the ruests of the former's brother, Mr. W. Plaskett, of north Payne street, where a reception was tendered them.

OPERA HOUE -In the English musial comedy success, "Our Flat," which rill be produced here Tuesday night, the fun is incessant and produces one continuous roar of laughter. It is full of delightful bits of character acting. tiful Marie Dantes plays the part of Margery Sylvester with such exquisite r emphatic endorsement from all have seen her in this role.

The Omaha Bee says of Jay, Bluff & Co., the farce comedy to be presented here to-morrow night: "Jay, Bluff & Co., had a splendid house last evening and the company was fully in keeping with the good reports we have heard of them. Everybody made the most of

Fell in the Street,—A young man named Henry Dorschlag fell at the intersection of Prince and Koyal streets between five and six o'clock yesterday evening in what appeared to be a fit He was placed on a stretcher and taken to the station house where he was attended by Dr. Purvis. It was at first supposed he had been stricken with paralysis, but when he regained consciousness it was learned that he had but recently been discharged from a hospital where he had been treated for tumor of the brain. He soon lapsed into a semi-conscious condition, and his eyes rolled as though death would goon follow. He complained incessant-Ty of his head, and moved his arms as if in agony. Later he was taken to the he received proper Dorschlag is a been at work at

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SALE OF LOT ENJOINED. ton yesterday Mr. Richard of this city filed a suit of U., James H., Albert F., McDowell and District A. Wilson, to prevent property. The bill sets property. The bill service of the First July 22, 1896, the First of this city secured a st John W. Brown, the the McDowells for nd costs, on account of indsor says the Mc-

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CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.—A large crowd gathered to witness the Christmas entertainment Trinity M. E. Church last night which was more than usually interesting. U. Mr. Baggett's untiring efforts the pulpit was more than the control of the control very artistically arranged, representing a Brownie bridge built of red brick un-der which and beyond was visible a pretty nook such as Brownies are sup posed to use as a rendezvous. On each side of the bridge was a large cedar

tree, decorated with Christmas ornaments. Over the alcove were hung Christmas bells with the letters, "Merry Xmas." The exercises opened with the song, "Meek and Lowly," by the school, followed with prayer by Mr. Stokely. The music was all well ren-Stokely. The music was all well rendered, especially a duet by Mrs. Pettit and Miss Maggie O'Neal. Most of the exercises were by the little folks and they all did well. Preparing for Santa Claus was particularly pleasing. While the tots were singing about and looking for old Santy the heads of several Brownies were seen above the paraget of the

were seen above the parapet of the bridge and when he made his appearance under the arch the Brownies began pelting him with snowballs. When the snow balls ceased flying in the air Santy had a talk with the children, during which a little three-year-old chap by the name of Roberts called out from the audience, "Hello, Santa Claus!" A large number of presents had been provided for regular at-tendance, special services, &c. Miss Annie Hancock received a purse for her

faithfulness as organist, and several other gifts from the Sunday school and friends. After distributing the usual candy and apples and pretty booklets to the little ones the exercises closed with a song by the school, "Happy New Year to You." The usual interesting Christmas cele-

bration of the Chapel Sunday school was held in the Second Presbyterian Church last night. A number of Christmas carols was sung by the scholars, after which the usual tokens were distributed. Mr. John J. Jamieson, superintendent of the school, delivered an appropriate address to the children during the evening.

JR. O. U. A. M.—At the regular meeting of J. W. Jackson Council, Jr. O. U. of them. Everybody made the most of their opportunities and worked together in such a way that the performance was just one big laugh from start to lish."

A. M., held last night, one candidate was initiated, and two applications for membership were received. Le following officers were elected to serve the ensuing term: Councillor, F. H. Simpson. ring Secretary, W. K. Griffith; Assistant Recording Secretary, Henry Hunter; Financial Secretary, Frank Petty; Treasurer, W. L. Mullen; Conductor, J. T. Rice; Warden, R. B. Pettit, Inside Sentinel, W. L. Craven; Outside Sentinel, Thomas Waddey; Trustee for

18 months, Henry Hunter. These offi-cers will be installed next Wednesday

night. After all business had been

transacted, the council was entertained by visiting brothers from West Vir-

ginia, Washington and Richmond. CHARTERS .- Judge Norton to-day granted a charter to the E. E. Jackson Company, the object of which is to deal in lumber, &c. The capital stock is \$150,000. E. E. Jackson, of Salisbury, Md., is president, Jos. L. Crupper, of Alexandria, vice president, and Noah H. Rider, of Washington, secretary and treasurer

Judge Norton also granted a charter to the American Timber Export Company, the object of which is to deal in timber, logs and lumber. The capital stock is \$10,000. J. S. Beach is agent in this city, and Richard G. Park, of Westchester, Pa., is president.

NEW YEAR'S DAY .- To-morrow, New Year's Day, will be observed as a par-tial holiday. The banks and public offices will be closed and the postoffice will keep Sunday hours. Business here will go on about as usual, though some ducting of the stores will be closed after the morning hours. A few people will mpelled keep "open house," and some Alexandrians will attend receptions in Wash

> CHURCH SERVICES .- To-morrow services will be held at Grace Church at 10 a. m.; at St. Paul's at 7:45 a. m.; at St. Mary's at 6 and 9 a. m.; Lutheran at 11 a. m. To-night services will be held at the M. E. Church South at 9:30 to continue until midnight. At Trinity from 9:30 to midnight.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The weather to-day has been bright and mild and altogether enjoyable.

Another case of scarlet fever was reported last night on south Pitt street. Mr. M. Schuler to-day received 150 fine turkeys which he will sell at low prices

The House committee on rivers and harbors in their report makes a strong plea for the Arlington memorial bridge. To-night, as has been the custom for some time, the bells of the city will toll the old year out and ring the new

The total amount of flour inspected by R. H. Hancock, deputy inspector for the fourth quarter ending December 31 was 5,392 barrels.

During the month the Clerh of the

and issued 19 marriage licenses—13 to white and 6 to colored persons. The annual meeting of the Relief Hook and Ladder Company will be held to-morrow night at 7:30 o'clock.

All members are requested to attend. Mr. Charles Strangmann, formerly of this city, but now of Cleveland, Ohio, yesterday sent the employees of the Robert Portner Brewing Company, in this city, beautiful New Year's greet-

Mr. Gilbert Woodward, who has been night foreman at the Southern Railroad shops in this city, has been transferred to the Harrisonburg shops. Mr. Woodward left for his new post this afternoon.

Hugh A. Ernst was attacked in Washington yesterday evening by two men, of whom James Duffy was one, and badly beaten. Duffy could give no excuse for his actions to the Police Court and was sentenced to sixty days in jail and sixty days more for carrying a razor. He claims to be from this city.

The steamer Defiance, from this port, went ashore at Tolchester Beach Thursday and floated Friday. Sne then got caught in the ice in the Elk then got caught in the ice in the Elk then got caught har hull was cut through. river and her hull was cut through. The damaged port of the vessel was raised above the water line by throwing overboard a quantity of her cargo of pig iron taken on at this port. The captain succeeded in getting his steamr to Betterton, where a quantity of the on was landed. She then followed in the track of the Ericsson steamer to

DRY GOODS.

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10th, 11th and F Sts., N. W

CLOSED NEW_YEAY'S DAY.

-:0:---Clearing Sale.

As Friday is a holiday, we have chosen to clean up all the remnants-odds and ends,

&c , prior to stock-taking. While this clearing sale includes HAND-KERCHIEFS, APRONS, HOSIERY, TOW-ELS, BOOKS, and other things smirched crushed, or dusty from handling or doing duty as Christmas decorations, it also includes short ends, old sizes, broken lots, &c., of DRESS GOODS, SILKS, RIBBONS, UNDER-WEAR, CORSETS, WBAPS, CLOTHING, and the like. All remnants are being sold at specially low pric.s.

Damaged Books.
Some of the Books have the cover scratched; some are finger marked; some are a bit battered, while others are of a style of binding that has met with general favor. In every case the reading matter is complete and as good as ever. We have made very decided I fice reductions.

Men's Department.

Odds and ends and broken lots in Neckwear, Underwear, House Coats, &c., left from the Christmas selling, reduced to quick moving prices.

Boys' Department. Small lots and odds and ends in cold-

weather garments-many reduced to about half former prices. Black Goods Department, Several useful lengths of plain and fancy

weaves, all new and fresh, and of the season's

Blanket Department.

Odd lots of Blankets to be closed out. Som are perfect; others are subject to manufacturors' imperfections-all of them are reduced to prices which make them bargains.

Woolen Dress Goods Dept.

Remnants of the best selling fabrics all in good condition and in lengths suitable for children's frocks and women's separate skirts and waists, and all marked at very specially low prices.

Linen Department.

Fine Double Damask Pattern Cloths, which have become somewhat mussed from handling,

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

A dwelling and business house in Bradford, Pa., was burned this morning and Mrs. Mary Hendricks was cremated.

One fireman was killed and three were injured by the breaking of a ladder at a fire in Philadelphia early this

An explosion occurred at the Monitor coal mine, six miles from West Bay City, Mich., to-day. One man was kill-ed and three others were seriously in-

The Bank of Sully, Iowa, was robbed this morning of \$27 in pennies by burg-lars who were scared off before they could open the safe in which was locked \$30,000.

The Bruna Ice Cream Company, of Salem, N. J., the oldest and most extensive ice cream factory and creamery in south Jersey, to-day went into the hands of a receiver.

John Kennedy was arrested at Kansas City, this morning, charged with being the leader of the gang of bandits who held up and robbed a Chicago and Alton train in Blue Cut, on the night of December 23.

An assignment was made yesterday by the Tyler Foundry and Machinery Company, at Tyler, Tex. This is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the State. The assets and liabilities are not known.

Believing that he had been commanded to propiliate the inhabitants of the spirit world, aged Isaac H. Douglass, of Winsted, Conn., yesterday morning at-tempted to offer up his thirty-year-old son as a burnt sacrifice.

A young woman, a stranger, registered at the Pennsylvania Hotel Corporation Court recorded 45 deeds and issued 19 marriage licenses—13 to white and 6 to colored persons.

Bester at a substitute as Esther Wilcox, of Bethesda, Ohio. This morning white and 6 to colored persons. with the gas turned on full force.

Congressman C. M. Woodman, of Chicago, was taken ill on the train last night, en route from Washington to Chicago. He could not remember his name. A physician pronounced Mr. Woodman's ailment to be an epileptte

The Baltimore and Ohio shops in Zanesville, Ohio, were to-day closed down indefinitely on peremptory tele-grams from Baltimore. Five hundred men are thrown out of employment, entailing a loss to the city of \$25,000 s

Harry Ridgeley and John C. Griffith, both colored, and each about 30 years of age, shut themselves up in a room over a stable in Baltimore last night and turned on a full flow of gas. They were found dead from asphyxiation to-day in each others arms.

Miss Ella Collin, daughter of Peter Collin, a tailor, of New York, yester-day became queen of the Cannibal Isl-ands of Illika, of the New Hebrides

County Treasurer A. J. Jernigan shortly after reaching his office in Austin, Tex., this morning shot himself through the body and will die. He states that he let a colored porter about the county courthouse have \$4.500 for the county fand, to put into a scheme to dig for Mexican gold, supposed to be buried in the vicinity of Austin. The scheme was exposed a few days ago.

iladelphia.

MALL LOT OF 25c BOWS to sell at 15c,
At A. C. SLAYMAKEE'S.

At Brovidence yesterday Mrs. Eleanor B.
Lister was married for the sixth time and four of her former husbands acted as ushers at the wedding. A fifth one sent his regretadec30td

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We will have on sale starting Monday morning, December 28, a large assortment o Men's, Ladies', and Children's

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WOOLEN UNDERSHIRTS.

This collection of Fine Underwear is from look for real bargains. Every piece will be sold for at out ONE-HALF the regular retai

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The Ex-Priest will lecture to-night in Odd Fellows' Hall to MEN ONLY Far from misrepresenting, he invites priests to be present, and will give \$100 if they refute his assertions. Truth in this case is shocking enough! No need of misrepresentation. Fair play and an open field is all desired, and he asks intelligent Catholics and Protestants to be present. Calling McNamara vile names will not disprove his statements. Be gentlemen and come to night and learn. Admission 25 cents.

Alexandria Market, December 31. quotations and the receipts are extre light Country Produce continues quiet with light offerings.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 31 .- Flour firm and un Baltimore, Dec. 31.—Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat steady; spot 93\(^1_4a\)93\(^1_2\); May 90a\(^90\)4\(^1_4\); Southern wheat by sample 93\(^1_4a\)95; do on grade 89\(^1_2a\)93\(^1_2\). Corn easier; spot 28\(^1_4a\)28\(^1_2\); year and Jan 27\(^1_2a\)27\(^1_3\); Feb 27\(^1_4a\)27\(^1_3\); Mar 28\(^1_4a\)28\(^1_3\); southern white corn 23\(^1_4a\)28\(^1_4\); do yellow 23\(^1_4a\)28\(^1_4\). Oats steady; No 2 white 25\(^2_4\); southern 41\(^1_4a\)21\(^1_4\)2. No 2 wixed do 21\(^1_4\)22. Bye steady; No 2 noarby 41\(^1_5a\)42\(^1_4\)2. No 2 Western 43\(^1_4a\)3\(^1_4\). Hay quiet; choice timothy \$13\)50a\(^1_4\)00. Coffee steady at 10\(^1_4\) for No 7. Other articles unchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat—Dec 79%; May 82%; July 7944a7946. Corn—Jan 22%; May 25½; July 26%. Oata—May 19% Pork—Jan \$7 50: May \$7 80. Lard—Jan \$3 80: May \$3 9745a4 00. Ribs—Jan \$3 75; May \$3 95 bid Wheat opened lower this morning than it closed yesterday but the feeling was steady at the declined Corn opened easy with wheat.

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CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK. ALEXANDRIA, Va, Dec. 31, 1896.
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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

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Dec. 30th, 1896.

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5 pieces All-wool Novelty Dress Goods, rough effects. For this sale 50c.

1 piece Black Henrietta Silk Warp. Worth \$1.00. For this sale 75c.

18 and 25c Plaids. For this sale 124c. 500 yards Black Satine, full yard wide. Worth 25c. For this sale 15c. 1000 yards Fine Unbleached Cotton. For

1000 yards Heavy Unbleached Cotton. For 1500 yards Fxtra Heavy Unbleached Cot on. For this sale 4c.

1000 yards Go d Canton Flannel. For this sale 4c. 5 pairs All-wool California Blankets (11-4, alightly soiled, at \$2.50 Good Quality Cotton Blankets, at 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

25 dozen Boys' Bicycle Stockings. Regular 25c goods. For this sale 12½c. 10 dozen Ladies' Shirts. Worth 25c. For

10 dozen Ladies' Shirts. Worth 20c. For Men's Astralian Wool Shirts and Drawers.
Worth \$1.50 and \$1.75. For this sale \$1.25.
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1 lot Scarlet Shirts and Drawers, mostly small sizes. Worth \$1.00. For this sale 50c. Extra Heavy Mixed Shirts and Drawers. For this sale 250 For this sale 25c.

25 dozen Meu's Half Hose. Usual price
10c. For this sale 5c.

100 dozen Half Hose. Usual price 12½c.

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" " Blackberry W Best Virginia Claret We guarantee the

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